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In re: Mark L. Antes et al.

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Examiner: El Hadji Malick Sall

For: METHODS, SYSTEMS AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCTS FOR
PROVIDING FAILURE RECOVERY OF NETWORK SECURE
COMMUNICATIONS IN A CLUSTER COMPUTING ENVIRONMENT

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REMARKS ACCOMPANYING RCE

Sir:

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's thorough examination of the present application as evidenced by the Official Action of December 7, 2004 and the Notice of Allowance of April 21, 2005. However, Applicants note that additional prior art has been cited in related Application Serial No. 09/764,500 entitled *Methods, Systems And Computer Program Products For Transferring Security Processing Between Processors In A Cluster Computing Environment*. Accordingly, Applicants submit a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) herewith to ensure that all prior art references will be considered.

Applicants further note that there appears to be no record of Applicants' previously filed Information Disclosure Statements being considered by the Examiner. In particular, Applicants respectfully submit that Information Disclosure Statements were submitted on September 14, 2001, September 18, 2001, December 3, 2004, December 20, 2004, and February 11, 2005. However, Applicants have not received initialed PTO-1449 forms for any of the above Information Disclosure Statements. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider all references cited in the previously filed Information Disclosure Statements and provide initialed copies of the corresponding PTO-1449 forms indicating consideration thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

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